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To: Stanislaus, Mathy[Stanislaus.Mathy@epa.gov]

From: debbie@nynjbaykeeper.org
Sent: Fri 6/20/2014 2:01:33 PM

Subject: Re: Passaic River Superfund:: Meeting Request

## Mahty

Thank you for your response. Ideally, we could meet in Newark with you and show you the River and new waterfront park. I am not sure if you will be up this way anytime soon. Debbie

Sent from my iPhone

On Jun 19, 2014, at 5:26 PM, "Stanislaus, Mathy" < Stanislaus, Mathy@epa.gov> wrote:

Debbie, Ana: Great hearing from you. I'll have someone reachout to schedule a meeting with me, my Superfund staff, Judith and the Region 2 staff. This is the same approach to all other Passaic River meetings with headquarters.

Mathy Stanislaus USEPA Assistant Administrator

From: debbie@nynjbaykeeper.org <debbie@nynjbaykeeper.org>

Sent: Thursday, June 19, 2014 4:37:42 PM

To: perciasepe.bob@epa.gov; Stanislaus, Mathy; Enck, Judith

Cc: Ana Baptista

Subject: Passaic River Superfund:: Meeting Request

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June 19, 2014

Mr. Bob Perciasepe, Deputy Administrator

**USEPA** 

1200 Pennsylvania Ave, NW

Mail code: 1101A

Washington, DC 20460

Dear Deputy Administrator Perciasepe:

This year marks the thirtieth anniversary of the listing of the Diamond Alkali Superfund site. Since that time the lower 17 miles of the Passaic River and the entire Newark Bay have become part of the Superfund site. For nearly three decades, the residents of New Jersey have suffered from the stigma of a polluted river, been denied the full use and enjoyment of the river and continue to be exposed to the serious risks resulting from dioxin contamination in the river.

We are the co-chairs of the Community Advisory Group (CAG) for the site. The CAG has been meeting on a monthly basis since the Fall of 2009. After many years of waiting, the proposed plan and Focused Feasibility Study (FFS) for the lower 8 miles was released this past April and we are now in an open public comment period.

We recently were informed that high-level EPA officials had a private meeting with several representatives of the Responsible Parties, including Maxus Energy Corporation, Tierra Solutions Inc., and Occidental Chemical Corporation, on May 29, 2014, during the open public comment period. The proposed plan and FFS, as well as other aspects of the cleanup, were discussed during this closed meeting.

On behalf of the community, we ask for equal time with EPA Headquarters staff to discuss the community perspective on this site and demonstrate for you the strong commitment the community has for a comprehensive cleanup and restoration of the Passaic River. You may reach us at 732-888-9870 x2 or Debbie@nynjbaykeeper.org.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

Debbie Mans and Ana Baptista

Co-chairs, Passaic River Superfund CAG

Cc: Mathy Stanislaus, Asst Administrator, Office of Solid Waste and Emergency Response

Judith Enck, Regional Administrator, Region 2